



ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Real-time images and audio are monitored anytime from an arbitrary remote place with a portable telephone. The portable telephone comprises a display panel, an image signal receiving part which receives an image signal sent over a mobile communication network, an image signal reproducing part which reproduces the received image signal and displays the reproduced image, and a permission signal sending part for sending a permission signal to permit an image-pickup part connected via the mobile communication network to output an image signal. According to another aspect, a portable telephone comprises a sending/receiving part which sends/receives an image signal via the mobile communication network, a display panel, and a CCD camera which performs imaging and sends an image signal by the sending/receiving part. The view of the surrounding area is sent to another portable telephone that via the mobile communication network.